

FoleyAutomatic

Physically-based Sound Effects for Interactive Simulation and Animation

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Non-speech & Non-music = Foley

Contact sounds important:

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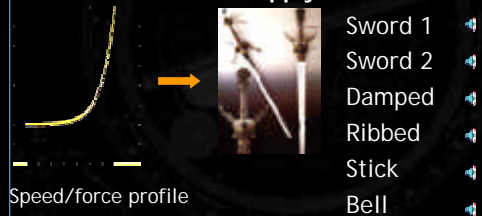
Simulation Based Sound-effects



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Hand-crafted Sound-effects

Draw excitation and apply to sword model



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FoleyAutomatic Features

- Modal resonance models of solids [Cook 96, van den Doel & Pai 96]
- Location dependent sounds [van den Doel & Pai 98]
- Impact, slide, roll excitation models
- Real-time, low latency
- Model parameters measurable
- Easy integration with simulation/animation
- Practical (easy to deploy/author models)

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Synthesis Method



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Emission ← Vibration ← Force

Surface $u(x, t)$ of body responds to external contact force $F(x, t)$




$$\left[g \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, x^i \right) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right] u(x^i, t) = F(x^i, t)$$

[O'Brien, Cook, Essl SIG01]


Emission ← Vibration ← Force

Sound pressure $s(t)$ linear functional L of surface vibration $u(x, t)$



$$s(t) = L[u(x^i, t)]$$

Emission ← Vibration ← Force




$$s(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N a_k(p) e^{-d_k t} \sin(2\pi f_k t)$$

Impulse response, modal model

Parameters measured [Pai et al, SIG01]

Emission ← Vibration ← Force

Impact
Sliding
Rolling




Wavetable
Stochastic


Impact Models

Impulsive forces

- L mass
- \uparrow energy transfer
- \uparrow collisions

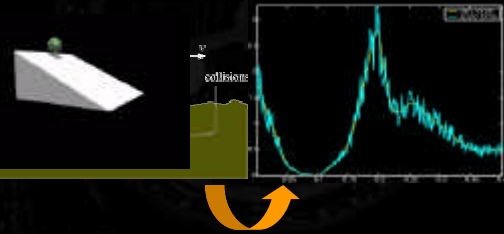


For example: $F(t) = w \times (1 - \cos(2\pi t/T)), 0 \leq t \leq T$



Sliding/scraping force models

Micro-collisions lead to noisy audio-force



Sliding/scraping force models

Wavetable approach:

- Store force profile table
- Modulate amplitude with energy transfer
- Modulate rate with contact speed

Synthesis approach:

- Fractal noise represents roughness
- Filter through reson filter
- Resonance ~ contact speed
- Width ~ randomness of surface

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Rolling force models

Relative surface motion



Differences with sliding:

- Smoother: Use low pass
- More damping
- Harder to create
- Less understood
- Essential coupling?
- [Hermes 98, Stoelinga 01]

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Implementation: Audio Synthesis

Audio synthesis

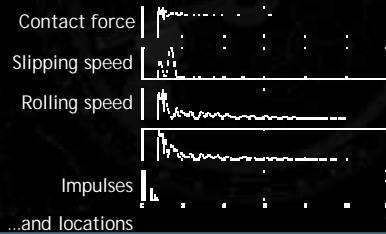
- Java Audio Synthesis System (JASS)
 - [van den Doel & Pai 01]
 - www.cs.ubc.ca/~kvdoel/jass (try it at home)
- 0.1% CPU per mode on Ghz Pentium III
- Real-time or offline
- Low latency

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Dynamic Simulation for Sound

- Can be used with most multi-body techniques

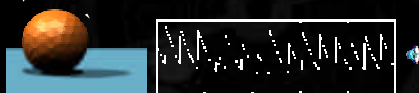
- Simulation must provide



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Smooth Surfaces

- Polyhedral objects do not lead to smooth rolling forces



- Instead use smooth surfaces directly



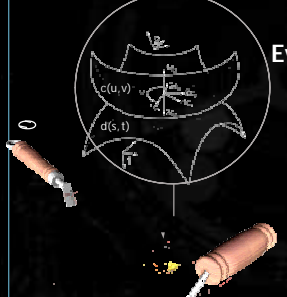
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Contact Dynamics for Smooth Surfaces: Contact Evolution

Evolving the contact in Reduced coordinates

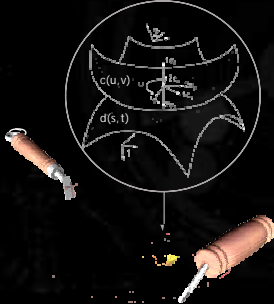
$$q = (u, v, s, t, \psi)$$

$q \rightarrow q \rightarrow q$



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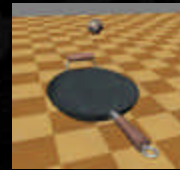


- Piecewise parametric surfaces, subdivision surfaces
- Explicit integration, no stabilization
- Multiple contacts and conforming contacts require different coordinates or other methods

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Demo

- Loop subdivision surfaces
- Sphere tree for collision detection
- Chatterjee Ruina collision response
- Interaction with PHANTOM
- Sound with JASS



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Conclusions

FA is practical system for contact sounds

- Modal resonance models for objects
- Measured or stochastic excitation models
- Driven by simulation parameters
- High quality
- Efficient
- --- The End ---

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Sound quality

Reasons for inaccuracy:

- Absence of highly damped modes
- Real surfaces more complex than modeled
- Intermodal interactions during sliding/rolling
- Non-linear effects
- Contact events more complex than modeled

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